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IN THE MATTER OF:

Empire Canyon Site Park City, Utah

United Park City Mines Company,

Respondent.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON CONSENT FOR NON-TIME CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION

U.S. EPA Region 8
CERCLA Docket No. <u>CERCLA-08-2004-0003</u>

Proceeding Under Sections 104, 106(a), 107 and 122 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§9604, 9606(a), 9607 and 9622

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I. JURISDICTION AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. This Administrative Order on Consent (Order) is entered into voluntarily by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and United Park City Mines (United Park or Respondent). This Order provides for the implementation of a non-time critical removal action (Removal Action) described in the site evaluation and an engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) previously performed by Respondent. A copy of the EE/CA and EPA's Action Memorandum of November 6, 2003 (Action Memorandum) authorizing the Removal Action are attached hereto as Appendices 1 and 2, respectively.
- 2. This Order is issued under the authority vested in the President of the United States by Sections 104, 106(a), 107 and 122 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. §§9604, 9606(a), 9607 and 9622, as amended (CERCLA).
- 3. EPA has notified the State of Utah (the State) of this action pursuant to Section 106(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9606(a). The State has declined to participate as a party to this Order.
- 4. EPA and Respondent recognize that this Order has been negotiated in good faith and that the actions undertaken by Respondent in accordance with this Order do not constitute an admission of any liability. Respondent does not admit, and retains the right to controvert in any subsequent proceedings other than proceedings to implement or enforce this Order, the validity of the findings of facts, conclusions of law, and determinations in Sections IV and V of this Order. Respondent agrees to comply with and be bound by the terms of this Order and further agrees that it will not contest the basis or validity of this Order or its terms.

II. PARTIES BOUND

- 5. This Order applies to and is binding upon EPA and upon Respondent and its successors and assigns. Any change in ownership or corporate status of Respondent including, but not limited to, any transfer of assets or real or personal property shall not alter the Respondent's responsibilities under this Order.
- 6. Respondent shall ensure that its contractors, subcontractors, and representatives receive a copy of this Order and comply with this Order. Respondent shall be responsible for any noncompliance with this Order.

III. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

7. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, terms used in this Order which are defined in CERCLA or in regulations promulgated under CERCLA shall have the meaning assigned to them in CERCLA or in such regulations. Whenever terms listed below are used in this Order or in the appendices attached hereto and incorporated hereunder, the following definitions shall apply:

"Action Memorandum" shall mean the EPA Action Memorandum relating to the Empire Canyon Site signed on November 6, 2003 by Max H. Dodson, Assistant Regional Administrator for the Office of Ecosystems Protection and Remediation, U.S. EPA Region 8. The Action Memorandum is attached hereto as Appendix 2.

"CERCLA" shall mean the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§9601, et seq.

"Day" shall mean a calendar day. In computing any period of time under this Order, where the last day would fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or State or Federal holiday, the period shall run until the close of business of the next working day.

"Effective Date" shall be the effective date of this Order as provided in Section XXIX.

"EPA" shall mean the United States Environmental Protection Agency and any successor departments or agencies of the United States.

"UDEQ" shall mean the Utah Department of Environmental Quality and any successor departments or agencies of the State.

"Future Response Costs" shall mean all costs including, but not limited to, direct and indirect costs that the United States incurs in reviewing or developing plans, reports and other items pursuant to this Order, in verifying the Work, or otherwise in implementing, overseeing, or enforcing this Order. Future Response Costs may include, but are not limited to, payroll costs, contractor costs, travel costs, laboratory costs, and costs incurred pursuant to Paragraph 30 (costs and attorneys fees and any monies paid to secure access, including the amount of just compensation), Paragraph 40 (emergency response), or Paragraph 66 (work takeover).

"Interest" shall mean interest at the rate specified for interest on investments of the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund established by 26 U.S.C. §9507, compounded annually on October 1 of each year, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. §9607(a). The applicable rate of interest shall be the rate in effect at the time the interest accrues. The rate of interest is subject to change on October 1 of each year.

"Matters Addressed" means the "Work" Respondent agrees to perform and "Future Response Costs" at the Site, as those terms are further defined in this Order. "Matters Addressed" specifically excludes EPA's rights to enforce those matters set forth in Section XX (Reservation of Rights) of this Order.

"National Contingency Plan" or "NCP" shall mean the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan promulgated pursuant to Section 105 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9605, codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 300, and any amendments thereto.

"Order" shall mean this Administrative Order on Consent and all appendices attached hereto. In the event of conflict between this Order and any Appendix, this Order shall control.

"Paragraph" shall mean a portion of this Order identified by an Arabic numeral.

"Parties" shall mean EPA and Respondent.

"RCRA" shall mean the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§6901, et seq. (also known as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act).

"Respondent" shall mean United Park City Mines Company.

"Section" shall mean a portion of this Order identified by a Roman numeral.

"Site" shall mean the Empire Canyon Site, which is located at the geographic coordinates 40° 38' 40" north latitude and 111° 29' 38.5" west longitude as defined in Appendix 3.

"State" shall mean the State of Utah.

"Waste Material" shall mean (1) any "hazardous substance" under Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9601(14); (2) any pollutant or contaminant under Section 101(33) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9601(33); and (3) any "solid waste" under Section 1004(27) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6903(27); and (4) any "hazardous material" as defined by applicable Utah law.

"Work" shall mean all activities Respondent is required to perform under this Order.

"Work Plan" shall mean the EPA-approved document developed pursuant to Paragraph 21 of this Order and identifying the activities and tasks to be performed by the Respondent to implement the removal action selected in the "Action Memorandum," as defined herein. This Work Plan may include discrete tasks to be performed by Respondent and a schedule of milestones for measuring progress in conducting the "Work."

IV. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 8. Respondent is the current owner of the Site.
- 9. Mining wastes, including tailings and waste rock, are presently located on portions of the Site. Some of these wastes contain elevated concentrations of certain heavy metals including arsenic, cadmium, lead, and zinc.
- 10. Portions of the Site may be used as a recreation area by day hikers and mountain bikers.

- 11. Snow melt and stormwater run-off flowing over mining wastes at the Site may impact surface water which flows down gradient through the Silver Creek watershed.
- 12. Silver Creek and its tributaries are listed on the State of Utah's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of impaired water bodies for non-attainment of zinc and cadmium water quality standards.
- 13. Although limited removal was performed by Respondent simultaneously with preparation of the EE/CA, the EE/CA identified additional response actions necessary to fully address the Waste Material found at the Site.

V. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DETERMINATIONS

- 14. Based on the Findings of Fact set forth above, and the Administrative Record supporting this Removal Action, EPA has determined that:
- (a) The Empire Canyon Site is a "facility" as defined by Section 101(9) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9601(9).
- (b) Mine waste rock and other materials located on portions of the Site contain hazardous substance(s) as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9601(14).
- (c) The Respondent is a "person" as defined by Section 101(21) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9601(21).
- (d) The Respondent, the current owner and operator of the Site, is a responsible party under Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9607(a).
- (e) The conditions described in the Findings of Fact above constitute an actual or threatened "release" of a hazardous substance from the facility as defined by Section 101(22) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C.§9601(22).
- (f) The Removal Action required by this Order is necessary to protect the public health, welfare, or the environment and, if carried out in compliance with the terms of this Order, will be considered consistent with the NCP, as provided in Section 300.700(c)(3)(ii) of the NCP.

VI. NOTICE AND ORDER

15. Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Determinations, and the Administrative Record for this Site, it is hereby Ordered and Agreed that Respondent shall comply with all provisions of this Order, including, but not limited to, all attachments to this Order and all documents incorporated by reference into this Order.

VII. <u>DESIGNATION OF CONTRACTOR, PROJECT COORDINATOR,</u> <u>AND ON-SCENE COORDINATOR</u>

- 16. All work performed under this Order shall be under the direction and supervision of qualified personnel. The Respondent has notified EPA that it intends to use the following personnel in carrying out such work: Kerry C. Gee of United Park, and James Fricke of RMC, 8138 South State Street, Suite 2A, Midvale UT 84047, (801) 225-2626. EPA hereby approves Respondent's use of the foregoing personnel and consultants in performing the work called for herein. In the event that Respondent desires to use different or additional personnel, Respondent shall, in advance of using such personnel, notify EPA in writing of the names, titles, and qualifications of the personnel, including the contractors, subcontractors, consultants and laboratories to be used in carrying out such work. The qualifications of any new or additional persons undertaking the work for Respondent shall be subject to EPA's review, for verification that such persons meet minimum technical background and experience requirements. If EPA disapproves in writing of any person(s)' technical qualifications, Respondent shall notify EPA of the identity and qualifications of the replacement(s) within 30 days of the written notice. If EPA subsequently disapproves of the replacement(s), EPA reserves the right to terminate this Consent Order. Such does not, however, affect Respondent's responsibility to use personnel acceptable to EPA.
- 17. Respondent hereby designates Kerry Gee as the Project Coordinator who shall be responsible for administration of all actions by Respondent required by this Order. To the extent practicable, the Project Coordinator shall be present on Site or readily available during Site work. EPA hereby approves Respondent's designated Project Coordinator. Receipt by Respondent's Project Coordinator of any notice or communication from EPA relating to this Order shall constitute receipt by Respondent.
- 18. EPA has designated Jim Christiansen of the Office of Ecosystems Protection and Remediation, Region 8, as its On-Scene Coordinator ("OSC"). Except as otherwise provided in this Order or at the direction of the OSC, Respondent shall direct all submissions required by this Order to the OSC at 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80202.
- 19. EPA and Respondent shall have the right, subject to this Section, to change their respective designated OSC and Project Coordinators. Respondent shall notify EPA ten (10) days before such a change is made. The initial notification may be made orally, but shall be promptly followed by a written notice.

VIII. WORK TO BE PERFORMED

20. Work to Be Performed. Respondent shall perform the Removal Action as selected in the Action Memorandum.

21. Work Plan and Implementation

- (a) Within 30 days after the effective date of this Order, the Respondent shall submit to EPA for approval a draft Work Plan for performing the Removal Action set forth in the Action Memorandum. The draft Work Plan shall provide a description of, and an expeditious schedule for, the actions required by this Order.
- (b) EPA may approve, disapprove, require revisions to, or modify the draft Work Plan. If EPA requires revisions, Respondent shall submit a revised draft Work Plan within 15 days of receipt of EPA's notification of the required revisions. Stipulated penalties shall not accrue during any such period. Respondent shall implement the Work Plan as finally approved in writing by EPA in accordance with the schedule approved by EPA. Once approved, or approved with modifications, the Work Plan, the schedule, and any subsequent modifications shall be fully enforceable under this Order. Respondent shall notify EPA at least 48 hours prior to performing any on-site work pursuant to the EPA-approved Work Plan.
- (c) The draft Work Plan shall also include a proposal for performance of post-removal site control measures, to the extent necessary, to be implemented once the Removal Action has been completed. This proposal shall be consistent with the requirements of Section 300.415(k) of the NCP and with OSWER Directive 9360.2-02. This proposal must be approved by EPA prior to its implementation and must be implemented within 30 days of completion of the Removal Action.
- (d) The draft Work Plan shall also include a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) that ensures the protection of the public health and safety during performance of on-site work under this Order. This plan shall be prepared in accordance with all current applicable Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations found at 29 CFR Part 1910. Respondent shall incorporate all changes to the HASP recommended by EPA, and implement the plan during the pendency of the Removal Action.

22. Quality Assurance and Sampling

All sampling and analyses performed pursuant to this Order shall conform to EPA direction, approval, and guidance regarding sampling, quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC), data validation, and chain of custody procedures. Respondent shall ensure that the laboratory used to perform the analyses participates in a QA/QC program and require that such laboratory complies with appropriate EPA guidance. Respondent shall provide to EPA the quality assurance/quality control procedures followed by all sampling teams and laboratories performing data collection and/or analysis.

23. Reporting

(a) Respondent shall submit quarterly written progress reports to EPA concerning actions undertaken pursuant to this Order as required by the EPA-approved Work Plan until this Order is terminated, unless otherwise directed by the OSC in writing. These reports shall

describe all significant developments during the preceding period, including the actions performed and any problems encountered, analytical data received during the reporting period, and the developments anticipated during the next reporting period, including a schedule of actions to be performed, anticipated problems, and planned resolutions of past or anticipated problems.

(b) The Respondent shall, at least 30 days prior to the conveyance of any interest in real property at the Site, give written notice that the property is subject to this Order to the transferee and written notice to EPA of the proposed conveyance, including the name and address of the transferee. Respondent agrees to require that its successor(s) comply with the immediately proceeding sentence and Paragraph 26 (Access to Property and Information).

24. Final Report

Within 60 days after completion of all actions required under this Order, the Respondent shall submit for EPA review and approval a final report summarizing the actions taken to comply with this Order and costs incurred. The final report shall include a good faith estimate of total costs or a statement of actual costs incurred by Respondent in complying with this Order, a listing of quantities and types of materials removed off-Site or managed on-Site, a discussion of removal and disposal options considered for those materials, a listing of the ultimate destination(s) of those materials, a presentation of analytical results of all sampling and analyses performed, and accompanying appendices containing all relevant documentation generated during the Removal Action (e.g., manifests, invoices, bills, contracts, permits, etc.). The final report shall include the following certification signed by a person who supervised or directed the preparation of that report:

Under penalty of law, I certify that to the best of my knowledge, after appropriate inquiries of all relevant persons involved in the preparation of the report, the information submitted is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

25. Off-Site Shipments.

- (a) Respondent shall, prior to any off-Site shipment of Waste Material from the Site to an out-of-state waste management facility, provide written notification of such shipment of Waste Material to the appropriate state environmental official in the receiving facility's state and to the On-Scene Coordinator. However, this notification requirement shall not apply to any off-Site shipments when the total volume of all such shipments will not exceed 10 cubic yards.
- (i) Respondent shall include in the written notification the following information: (1) the name and location of the facility to which the Waste Material is to be shipped; (2) the type and quantity of the Waste Material to be shipped; (3) the expected schedule for the shipment of the Waste Material; and (4) the method of transportation. Respondent shall notify the state in which the planned receiving facility is located of major changes in the shipment plan, such as a decision to ship the Waste Material to another facility within the same state, or to a facility in

another state.

- (ii) The identity of the receiving facility and state will be determined by Respondent following the award of the contract for the Removal Action. Respondent shall provide the information required by this paragraph as soon as practicable after the award of the contract and before the Waste Material is actually shipped.
- (b) Before shipping any Waste Material, Respondent shall obtain EPA's certification that the proposed receiving facility is operating in compliance with the requirements of CERCLA Section 121(d)(3), 42 U.S.C. §9621(d)(3), and 40 C.F.R. §300.440. Respondent shall only send Waste Materials from the Site to an off-site facility that complies with the requirements of the statutory provision and regulation cited in the preceding sentence.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provision herein, Respondent may consolidate Waste Materials at off-Site areas pre-approved by the OSC, including but not limited to the Richardson Flat containment area

IX. SITE ACCESS

- 26. Respondent shall, commencing on the Effective Date, provide EPA, the State, and their representatives, including contractors, with access at all reasonable times to the Site, or such other property, for the purpose of conducting any activity related to this Order.
- 27. Where any action under this Order is to be performed in areas owned by or in possession of someone other than Respondent, Respondent shall use its best efforts to obtain all necessary access agreements within thirty (30) days after the Effective Date, or as otherwise specified in writing by the OSC. Respondent shall immediately notify EPA if, after using its best efforts, it is unable to obtain such agreements. For purposes of this Paragraph, "best efforts" includes the payment of reasonable sums of money in consideration of access. Respondent shall describe in writing its best efforts to obtain access. EPA may then assist Respondent in gaining access, to the extent necessary to effectuate the response actions described herein, using such means as EPA deems appropriate. Respondent shall reimburse EPA for all costs not inconsistent with the NCP and attorney's fees incurred by the United States in obtaining such access, in accordance with the procedures in Section XV (Payment of Response Costs).
- 28. Notwithstanding any provision of this Order, EPA retains all of its access authorities and rights, including enforcement authorities related thereto, under CERCLA, RCRA, and any other applicable statutes or regulations.

X. ACCESS TO INFORMATION

29. Respondent shall provide to EPA, upon request, copies of all documents and information within its possession or control or that of its contractors or agents relating to activities at the Site or to the implementation of this Order, including, but not limited to, sampling, analysis, chain of custody records, manifests, trucking logs, receipts, reports, sample traffic routing,

correspondence, or other documents or information related to the Work.

- 30. Respondent shall also make available to EPA, for purposes of investigation, information gathering, or testimony, its employees, agents, or representatives with knowledge of relevant facts concerning the performance of the Work.
- 31. Respondent may assert business confidentiality claims covering part or all of the documents or information submitted to EPA under this Order to the extent permitted by and in accordance with Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9604(e)(7), and 40 C.F.R. §2.203(b). Documents or information determined to be confidential by EPA will be afforded the protection specified in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies documents or information when they are submitted to EPA, or if EPA has notified Respondent that the documents or information are not confidential under the standards of Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA or 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B, the public may be given access to such documents or information without further notice to Respondent.
- 32. Respondent may assert that certain documents, records and other information are privileged under the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege recognized by federal law. If the Respondent asserts such a privilege in lieu of providing documents, it shall provide EPA with the following: (1) the title of the document, record, or information; (2) the date of the document, record, or information; (3) the name and title of the author of the document, record, or information; (4) the name and title of each addressee and recipient; (5) a description of the contents of the document, record, or information; and (6) the privilege asserted by Respondent.
- 33. No claim of confidentiality shall be made with respect to any data generated pursuant to this Consent Order, including, but not limited to, all sampling, analytical, monitoring, hydrogeologic, scientific, chemical, or engineering data, or any other documents or information evidencing conditions at or around the Site.

XI. RECORD RETENTION

- 34. Until ten (10) years after Respondent's receipt of EPA's notification pursuant to Section XXVII (Notice of Completion of Work), Respondent shall preserve and retain all non-identical copies of records and documents (including records or documents in electronic form) now in its possession or control or which come into its possession or control that relate in any manner to the performance of the Work or the liability of any person under CERCLA with respect to the Site, regardless of any corporate retention policy to the contrary.
- 35. Until 10 years after Respondent's receipt of EPA's notification pursuant to Section XXVII (Notice of Completion of Work), Respondent shall also instruct its contractors and agents to preserve all documents, records, and information of whatever kind, nature or description relating to performance of the Work.
- 36. At the conclusion of this document retention period, Respondent shall notify EPA at least 90 days prior to the destruction of any such records or documents, and, upon request by

- EPA, Respondent shall deliver any such records or documents to EPA. Respondent may assert that certain documents, records and other information (except as provided under paragraph 35 above) are privileged under the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege recognized by federal law. If Respondent asserts such a privilege, it shall provide EPA with the following: (1) the title of the document, record, or information; (2) the date of the document, record, or information; (3) the name and title of the author of the document, record, or information; (4) the name and title of each addressee and recipient; (5) a description of the subject of the document, record, or information; and (6) the privilege asserted by Respondent.
- 37. Respondent hereby certifies that, after thorough inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, it has not altered, mutilated, discarded, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of any records, documents, or other information (other than identical copies) relating to its potential liability regarding the Site since notification of potential liability by EPA or the State of the filing of suit against it regarding the Site and that Respondent has fully complied with any and all EPA requests for information pursuant to Sections 104(e) and 122(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §89604(e) and 9622(e), and Section 3007 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6927.

XII. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS

38. Respondent shall perform all actions required pursuant to this Order in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations except as provided in Section 121(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §6921(e), and 40 C.F.R. §\$300.400(e) and 300.415(j). In accordance with 40 C.F.R. §300.415(j), all on-site actions required pursuant to this Order shall, to the extent practicable, as determined by EPA, and considering the exigencies of the situation, attain applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements ("ARARs") under federal environmental or state environmental or facility siting laws. Respondent shall identify ARARs in the Work Plan, subject to EPA approval.

XIII. EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND NOTIFICATION OF RELEASES

- 39. In the event of any action or occurrence during performance of the Work which causes or threatens a release of Waste Material from the Site that constitutes an emergency situation or may present an immediate threat to public health or welfare or the environment, Respondent shall immediately take all appropriate action. Respondent shall take these actions in accordance with all applicable provisions of this Order, including, but not limited to, the Health and Safety Plan, in order to prevent, abate or minimize such release or endangerment caused or threatened by the release. Respondent shall also immediately notify the OSC or, in the event of his unavailability, the Regional Duty Officer of the Region 8 Emergency Response Branch at (303) 293-1788 (24 hours) of the incident or Site conditions. In the event that Respondent fails to take appropriate response action as required by this Paragraph, and EPA takes such action instead, Respondent shall reimburse EPA all costs of the response action not inconsistent with the NCP pursuant to Section XV (Payment of Response Costs).
- 40. In addition, in the event of any release of a hazardous substance from the Site, Respondent shall immediately notify the OSC and the National Response Center at (800)

424-8802. Respondent shall submit a written report to EPA within 7 days after each release, setting forth the events that occurred and the measures taken or to be taken to mitigate any release or endangerment caused or threatened by the release and to prevent the reoccurrence of such a release. This reporting requirement is in addition to, and not in lieu of, reporting under Section 103(c) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9603(c), and Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986, 42 U.S.C. §11004, et seq.

XIV. AUTHORITY OF ON-SCENE COORDINATOR

41. The OSC shall be responsible for overseeing Respondent's implementation of this Order. The OSC shall have the authority vested in an OSC by the NCP, including the authority to halt, conduct, or direct any Work required by this Order, or to direct any other removal action undertaken at the Site. However, any resulting delay of Work shall not be counted in determining Respondent's liability for stipulated penalties, subject to Paragraph 57 below. Absence of the OSC from the Site shall not be cause for stoppage of Work unless specifically directed by the OSC.

XV. PAYMENT OF RESPONSE COSTS

- 42. Respondent shall pay Future Response Costs, as defined herein. On a periodic basis, EPA will send Respondent a bill requiring payment that includes its regionally prepared financial summary, which shall serve as the basis for payment demands. Unless Respondent and EPA agree to some other payment arrangement, Respondent shall make all payments within forty-five (45) days of receipt of each bill requiring payment, except as otherwise provided in Paragraph 45 of this Order.
- 43. Respondent shall make all payments required by Paragraph 42 by a certified or cashier's check or checks made payable to "EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund," referencing the name and address of the party making payment and EPA Site/Spill ID number 08CP. Respondent shall send the check(s) to:

Regular Mail:
Mellon Bank
EPA Region 8
Attn: Superfund Accounting
Lockbox 360859
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251-6859

Express Mail: EPA 360859 Mellon Client Service Center, Room 670 500 Ross Street Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15262-0001

or other such address as EPA may designate in writing or by wire transfer to:

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Wire transfers must be sent to the Federal Reserve Bank in New York.

At the time of payment, Respondent shall send notice that the payment has been made to:

Maureen O'Reilly

Sharon Abendsehan
EPA Enforcement Specialist
Empire Conven Site

Empire Canyon Site U.S. EPA Region 8

Suite 300 (8ENF-7) RC

999 18th Street

Denver, CO 80202-2466

- 44. In the event that the payment for Future Response Costs is not made within forty-five (45) days of Respondent's receipt of a bill, interest on Future Response Costs shall begin to accrue and shall continue to accrue until the date of payment or other resolution.
- 45. Respondent may dispute all or part of a bill for Future Response Costs submitted under this Order, if Respondent alleges that EPA has made an accounting error, or if Respondent alleges that a cost item is inconsistent with the NCP. If any dispute over costs is resolved before payment is due, the amount due will be adjusted as necessary. If the dispute is not resolved before payment is due, Respondent shall pay the full amount of the uncontested costs to EPA as specified in Paragraph 43 on or before the due date. Within the same time period, Respondent shall pay the full amount of the contested costs into an interest-bearing escrow account. Respondent shall simultaneously transmit a copy of both checks to the persons listed in Paragraph 43 above. Respondent shall ensure that the prevailing party or parties in the dispute shall receive the amount upon which they prevailed from the escrow funds plus interest within thirty (30) days after the dispute is resolved.
- 46. EPA agrees that, to the extent practicable, it will comply with OSWER Directive 9200.0-32P, "Interim Guidance on Implementing the Superfund Administrative Reform on PRP Oversight" issued by EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (May 17, 2000) to minimize its oversight costs. Failure to comply with this guidance, however shall not effect EPA's rights to recover its Future Response Costs under this Order and shall not be the cause of, or subject to, the dispute resolution provisions of Paragraph 45 or Section XVI.

XVI. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

47. The Parties shall attempt to resolve any disagreements concerning this Order expeditiously and informally. Unless otherwise provided for in this Order, the dispute resolution procedures of this Section shall be the exclusive mechanism for resolving disputes arising under this Order.

- 48. If Respondent objects to any EPA action taken pursuant to this Order, including billings for Future Response Costs, it shall notify EPA in writing of its objection(s) within thirty (30) days of such action, unless the objection(s) has/have been resolved informally. EPA and Respondent shall have thirty (30) days from EPA's receipt of Respondent's written objection(s) to resolve the dispute through formal negotiations (the "Negotiation Period"). The Negotiation Period may be extended at the sole discretion of EPA.
- 49. Any agreement reached by the parties pursuant to this Section shall be in writing and shall, upon signature by both parties, be incorporated into and become an enforceable part of this Order. If the Parties are unable to reach an agreement within the Negotiation Period, the EPA Region 8 Director of the Superfund Remedial Response Program, Office of Ecosystem Protection and Remediation will issue a final written decision on the dispute to Respondent. Appeal from this final decision shall be to the United States District Court for the District of Utah. If upheld on appeal, EPA's decision shall be incorporated into and become an enforceable part of this Order. Respondent's obligations under this Order shall not be tolled by submission of any objection for dispute resolution under this Section, except that stipulated penalties shall accrue as provided in Paragraph 57 of Section XVIII. Following resolution of the dispute, as provided by this Section, Respondent shall fulfill the requirement that was the subject of the dispute in accordance with the agreement reached or with EPA's decision, whichever occurs.

XVII. FORCE MAJEURE

- 50. Respondent agrees to perform all requirements of this Order within the time limits established under this Order, unless the performance is delayed by a *force majeure*. For purposes of this Order, a *force majeure* is defined as any event arising from causes beyond the control of Respondent, or of any entity controlled by Respondent, including but not limited to its contractors and subcontractors, which delays or prevents performance of any obligation under this Order despite Respondent's best efforts to fulfill the obligation. *Force majeure* does not include financial inability to complete the Work, or increased cost of performance.
- obligation under this Order, whether or not caused by a *force majeure* event, Respondent shall notify EPA orally within 48 hours of when Respondent first knew that the event might cause a delay. Within ten (10) days thereafter, Respondent shall provide to EPA in writing an explanation and description of the reasons for the delay; the anticipated duration of the delay; all actions taken or to be taken to prevent or minimize the delay; a schedule for implementation of any measures to be taken to prevent or mitigate the delay or the effect of the delay; Respondent's rationale for attributing such delay to a *force majeure* event if it intends to assert such a claim; and a statement as to whether, in the opinion of Respondent, such event may cause or contribute to an endangerment to public health, welfare or the environment. Failure to comply with the above requirements shall preclude Respondent from asserting any claim of *force majeure* for that event for the period of time of such failure to comply and for any additional delay caused by such failure.
- 52. If EPA agrees that the delay or anticipated delay is attributable to a force majeure event, the time for performance of the obligations under this Order that are affected by the force

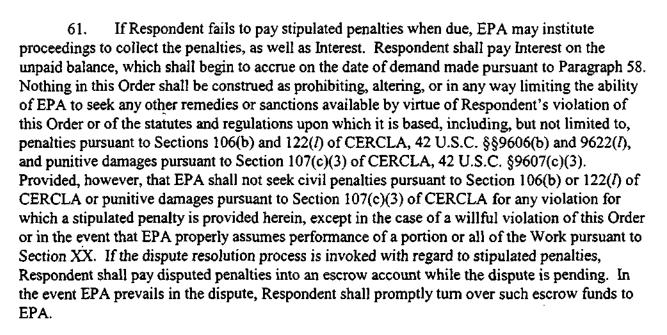
majeure event will be extended by EPA for such time as is necessary to complete those obligations. An extension of the time for performance of the obligations affected by the force majeure event shall not automatically extend the time for performance of any other obligation. If EPA does not agree that the delay or anticipated delay has been or will be caused by a force majeure event, EPA will notify Respondent in writing of its decision. If EPA agrees that the delay is attributable to a force majeure event, EPA will notify Respondent in writing of the length of the extension, if any, for performance of any obligations affected by the force majeure event.

XVIII. STIPULATED PENALTIES

- 53. Respondent may be liable to EPA, at EPA's discretion, for stipulated penalties in the amounts set forth in Paragraphs 54, 55, and 56 for failure to comply with the requirements of this Order specified below, unless excused under Section XVII (Force Majeure) or unless waived pursuant to Paragraph 62 of this Section. "Compliance" by Respondent shall include completion of the activities under this Order or any work plan or other plan approved under this Order identified below in accordance with all applicable requirements of law, this Order and any plans or other documents approved by EPA pursuant to this Order and within the specified time schedules established by and approved under this Order.
- 54. For the major deliverables identified in the Work Plan, stipulated penalties accrue in the amount of \$250 per day, per violation, for the first seven days of noncompliance; \$500 per day, per violation, for the 8th through 14th day of noncompliance; \$1,000 per day, per violation, for the 15th day through the 30th day; and \$2,000 per day per violation for all violations lasting beyond 30 days.
- 55. For the interim deliverables identified in the Work Plan, stipulated penalties accrue in the amount of \$250 per day, per violation, for the first week of noncompliance; \$500 per day, per violation, for the 8th through 14th day of noncompliance; \$1,000 per day, per violation, for the 15th day through the 30th day of noncompliance; and \$2,000 per day per violation for all violations lasting beyond 30 days.
- 56. For the quarterly progress reports, stipulated penalties accrue in the amount of \$250 per day, per violation, for the first week of noncompliance; \$500 per day, per violation, for the 8th through 14th day of noncompliance; \$1,000 per day, per violation, for the 15th day through the 30th day; and \$2,000 per day, per violation, for all violations lasting beyond 30 days.
- 57. All penalties shall begin to accrue on the day after performance is due (if the date is provided on an EPA approved schedule) or, if not specified, on the day after Respondent is notified, pursuant to the following Paragraph, that complete performance is due or a violation has occurred, and shall continue to accrue through the final day of the correction of the noncompliance or completion of the activity. However, stipulated penalties shall not accrue: (1) with respect to a deficient submission or deliverable under Section VIII (Work to be Performed) or in the case of work which has been stopped under the direction of the OSC, until thirty days after the date that EPA notifies Respondent of any particular deficiency and/or authorizes Respondent to resume work; and (2) with respect to a decision by the EPA Region 8 Director of the Superfund Remedial

Program level or higher, under Paragraph 49 of Section XVI (Dispute Resolution), until the date that the EPA management official issues a final decision regarding such dispute. Nothing herein shall prevent the simultaneous accrual of separate penalties for separate violations of this Order.

- 58. Following EPA's determination that Respondent has failed to comply with a requirement of this Order, EPA shall give Respondent written notification of the failure and describe the noncompliance. If appropriate, EPA shall also send Respondent a written demand for payment of the penalties.
- 59. All penalties accruing under this Section shall be due and payable to EPA within fifteen (15) days of Respondent's receipt of a demand for payment of the penalties, unless Respondent invokes the dispute resolution procedures under Section XVI (Dispute Resolution). All payments to EPA under this Section shall be paid by certified or cashier's check(s) made payable to "EPA Hazardous Substances Superfund," shall be mailed to the address provided in Paragraph 43, shall indicate that the payment is for stipulated penalties, and shall reference the EPA Region and Site/Spill ID Number 08CP, the EPA Docket Number, and the name and address of the party making payment. Copies of check(s) paid pursuant to this Section, and any accompanying transmittal letter(s), shall be sent to EPA as provided in Paragraph 43.
- 60. The payment of penalties shall not alter Respondent's obligation to complete performance of the Work required under this Order.



62. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, EPA may, in its unreviewable discretion, waive any portion of stipulated penalties that have accrued pursuant to this Order.

XIX. COVENANT NOT TO SUE BY EPA

63. In consideration of the actions that will be performed and the payments that will be

made by Respondent under the terms of this Order, and except as otherwise specifically provided in this Order, EPA covenants not to sue or to take administrative action against Respondent pursuant to Sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§9606 and 9607(a) and Sections 309 and 311 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1317 and 1319, for performance of the Work and for recovery of Future Response Costs. This covenant not to sue shall take effect upon the Effective Date and is conditioned upon the complete and satisfactory performance by Respondent of all obligations under this Order, including, but not limited to, payment of Future Response Costs pursuant to Section XV. This covenant not to sue extends only to Respondent, its successors and assigns.

XX. <u>RESERVATIONS OF RIGHTS BY EPA</u>

- 64. Except as specifically provided in this Order, nothing herein shall limit the power and authority of EPA or the United States to take, direct, or order all actions necessary to protect public health, welfare, or the environment or to prevent, abate, or minimize an actual or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants, or hazardous or solid waste on, at, or from the Site. Further, nothing herein shall prevent EPA from seeking legal or equitable relief to enforce the terms of this Order, from taking other legal or equitable action as it deems appropriate and necessary, or from requiring Respondent in the future to perform additional activities pursuant to CERCLA or any other applicable law.
- 65. EPA reserves, and this Order is without prejudice to, all rights against Respondent with respect to all other matters, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) claims based on a failure by Respondent to meet a requirement of this Order;
 - (b) liability for costs not included within the definition of Future Response Costs;
 - (c) liability arising out of performance of response actions other than the Work;
 - (d) criminal liability;
 - (e) liability for damages for injury to, destruction of, or loss of natural resources, and for the costs of any natural resource damage assessments; and
 - (f) liability arising from the past, present, or future disposal, release or threat of release of Waste Materials outside of the Site.
- 66. Work Takeover. In the event EPA determines that Respondent has ceased implementation of any portion of the Work, is seriously or repeatedly deficient or late in its performance of the Work, or is implementing the Work in a manner which may cause an endangerment to human health or the environment, EPA may assume the performance of all or any

portion of the Work as EPA determines necessary. Respondent may invoke the procedures set forth in Section XVI (Dispute Resolution) to dispute EPA's determination that takeover of the Work is warranted under this Paragraph. Costs incurred by the United States in performing the Work pursuant to this Paragraph shall be considered Future Response Costs that Respondent shall pay pursuant to Section XV (Payment of Response Costs). Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, EPA retains all authority and reserves all rights to take any and all response actions authorized by law.

XXI. COVENANT NOT TO SUE BY RESPONDENT

- 67. Respondent covenants not to sue and agrees not to assert any claims or causes of action against the United States, or its contractors or employees, with respect to the Work, Future Response Costs, or this Order, including, but not limited to:
- (a) any direct or indirect claim for reimbursement from the Hazardous Substance Superfund established by 26 U.S.C. §9507, based on Sections 106(b)(2), 107, 111, 112, or 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§9606(b)(2), 9607, 9611, 9612, or 9613, or any other provision of law;
- (b) any claim arising out of response actions at or in connection with the Site, including any claim under the United States Constitution, the Tucker Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1491, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §2412, as amended, or at common law; or
- (c) any claim against the United States pursuant to Sections 107 and 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§9607 and 9613, relating to the Site.

These covenants not to sue shall not apply in the event the United States brings a cause of action or issues an order pursuant to the reservations set forth in Paragraphs 65 above, but only to the extent that Respondent's claims arise from the same response action, response costs, or damages that the United States is seeking pursuant to the applicable reservation.

68. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute approval or preauthorization of a claim within the meaning of Section 111 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9611, or 40 C.F.R. § 300.700(d).

XXII. OTHER CLAIMS

- 69. By issuance of this Order, the United States and EPA assume no liability for injuries or damages to persons or property resulting from any acts or omissions of Respondent. The United States or EPA shall not be deemed a party to any contract entered into by Respondent or its directors, officers, employees, agents, successors, representatives, assigns, contractors, or consultants in carrying out actions pursuant to this Order.
- 70. Except as expressly provided in Section XIX (Covenant Not to Sue by EPA), nothing in this Order constitutes a satisfaction of or release from any claim or cause of action against Respondent or any person not a party to this Order, for any liability such person may have

under CERCLA, other statutes, or common law, including but not limited to any claims of the United States for costs, damages and interest under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§9606 and 9607.

71. No action or decision by EPA pursuant to this Order shall give rise to any right to judicial review, except as set forth in Section 113(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §9613(h) or otherwise provided for herein.

XXIII. CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION

72. The Parties agree that Respondent is entitled, as of the Effective Date, to protection from contribution actions or claims as provided by Sections 113(f)(2) and 122(h)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§9613(f)(2) and 9622(h)(4), for "Matters Addressed" as defined in this Order. Nothing in this Order precludes the United States or Respondent from asserting any claims, causes of action, or demands against any persons not parties to this Order for indemnification, contribution, or cost recovery.

XXIV. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

- 73. Respondent agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless the United States, its officials, agents, contractors, subcontractors, employees and representatives from any and all claims or causes of action: (a) arising from, or on account of, acts or omissions of Respondent, Respondent's officers, heirs, directors, employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors, receivers, trustees, successors or assigns, in carrying out actions pursuant to this Order; and (b) for damages or reimbursement arising from or on account of any contract, agreement, or arrangement between (any one or more of) Respondent, and any persons for performance of work on or relating to the Site, including claims on account of construction delays. In addition, Respondent agrees to pay the United States all costs incurred by the United States, including litigation costs arising from or on account of claims made against the United States based on any of the acts or omissions referred to in the preceding paragraph.
- 74. The United States shall give Respondent notice of any claim for which the United States plans to seek indemnification pursuant to this Section and shall consult with Respondent prior to settling such claim.
- 75. Respondent waives all claims against the United States for damages or reimbursement or for set-off of any payments made or to be made to the United States, arising from or on account of any contract, agreement, or arrangement between Respondent and any person for performance of Work on or relating to the Site, including, but not limited to, claims on account of construction delays. In addition, Respondent shall indemnify and hold harmless the United States with respect to any and all claims for damages or reimbursement arising from or on account of any contract, agreement, or arrangement between Respondent and any person for performance of Work on or relating to the Site, including, but not limited to, claims on account of construction delays.

XXV. <u>INSURANCE</u>

- 76. At least seven (7) days prior to commencing any on-Site work under this Order, Respondent shall secure, and shall maintain for the duration of this Order, comprehensive general liability insurance and automobile insurance with limits of one million dollars, combined single limit, naming the United States as an additional insured. Within the same time period, Respondent shall provide EPA with certificates of such insurance and a copy of each insurance policy.
- 77. In addition, for the duration of the Order, Respondent shall satisfy, or shall ensure that their contractors or subcontractors satisfy, all applicable laws and regulations regarding the provision of worker's compensation insurance for all persons performing the Work on behalf of Respondent in furtherance of this Order. If Respondent demonstrates by evidence satisfactory to EPA that any contractor or subcontractor maintains insurance equivalent to that described above, or insurance covering some or all of the same risks but in an equal or lesser amount, then Respondent need provide only that portion of the insurance described above which is not maintained by such contractor or subcontractor.

XXVI. MODIFICATIONS

- 78. The OSC may make modifications to any plan or schedule or Statement of Work in writing or by oral direction with written followup. Any other requirements of this Order may be modified in writing by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 79. If Respondent seeks permission to deviate from any approved work plan or schedule or Statement of Work, Respondent's Project Coordinator shall submit a written request to EPA for approval outlining the proposed modification and its basis. Respondent may not proceed with the requested deviation until receiving oral or written approval from the OSC pursuant to Paragraph 78.
- 80. No informal advice, guidance, suggestion, or comment by the OSC or other EPA representatives regarding reports, plans, specifications, schedules, or any other writing submitted by Respondent shall relieve Respondent of its obligation to obtain any formal approval required by this Order, or to comply with all requirements of this Order, unless it is formally modified.

XXVII. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF WORK

81. When EPA determines, after EPA's review of the Final Report, that all Work has been fully performed in accordance with this Order, with the exception of any continuing obligations required by this Order, including, payment of Future Response Costs, record retention and any post-removal site control measures, EPA will provide written notice to Respondent. If EPA determines that any such Work has not been completed in accordance with this Order, EPA will notify Respondent, provide a list of the deficiencies, and require that Respondent modify the Work Plan if appropriate in order to correct such deficiencies. Respondent shall implement the modified and approved Work Plan and shall submit a modified Final Report in accordance with the EPA notice. Failure by Respondent to implement the approved modified Work Plan shall be a

violation of this Order.

XXVIII. SEVERABILITY/INTEGRATION/APPENDICES

- 82. If a court issues an order that invalidates any provision of this Order or finds that Respondent has sufficient cause not to comply with one or more provisions of this Order, Respondent shall remain bound to comply with all provisions of this Order not invalidated or determined to be subject to a sufficient cause defense by the court's order.
- 83. This Order and its appendices constitute the final, complete and exclusive agreement and understanding among the Parties with respect to the settlement embodied in this Order. The parties acknowledge that there are no representations, agreements or understandings relating to the settlement other than those expressly contained in this Order.
 - 84. This Order may be signed in counterparts.

XXIX. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>

85. This Order shall be effective upon the day that it is signed by EPA.

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The undersigned representative of Respondent certifies that it is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Order and to bind the party it represents to this document.

DATE: 12/03

BY: DATE: //-/9-03
Kerry Gee
Authorized Signing Officer

AGREED TO AND ORDERED:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8

Dale Vodehnal, Director

Superfund Remedial Response Program

Office of Ecosystem Protection and Remediation

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ACTION MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Request for a Non-Time-Critical Removal Action at Empire Canyon Site

FROM: Jim Christiansen, Remedial Project Manager

Superfund Remedial Program

THROUGH: Bert Garcia, Supervisor

Superfund Remedial Program, Unit B

Dale Vodehnal, Director Superfund Remedial Program

Carol Rushin, Assistant Regional Administrator

Office of Enforcement, Compliance, and Environmental Justice

TO:

Max Dodson, Assistant Regional Administrator Office of Ecosystems Protection & Remediation

Site ID: 08CP

Category of Removal:

Non-Time Critical, PRP-Funded, PRP Lead

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Action Memorandum is to request and document approval of a PRP Lead non-time critical removal action (NTCRA) at the Empire Canyon Site ("the Site") in Park City, Utah. The Empire Canyon Site is located within the Upper Silver Creek Watershed, which is the subject of a stakeholder-based investigation and cleanup effort. This NTCRA is one of several actions intended to address contamination issues in the watershed. The NTCRA will be voluntarily funded and performed by United Park City Mines (UPCM). EPA and UPCM are currently negotiating an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for performance of the cleanup work.

II. SITE CONDITIONS AND BACKGROUND

A. Site Description and History

The Empire Canyon Site is a historic ore mining and processing area located near Park City, Summit County, Utah. Empire Canyon is located south of Park City. The Site is situated on the eastern slope of the Wasatch Range, approximately 25 miles east of Salt Lake City. Park City rests at the downstream end of Empire Canyon.

The immediate area around the Site consists of steep canyon walls with mine/mill wastes and mine overburden present in several locations, which slope directly into the Empire Canyon drainage. The terraces or flat spots in the canyon are the locations of former mining facilities and a municipal drinking water tank. There were several mines, a concentrator, assay office, trams and other mine workings in the canyon up to the drainage divide.

Waste rock piles from the mine operations are located along the canyon walls as well as in the Empire channel. Several worn trails parallel the channel and traverse the mill and mine sites. The canyon is a popular area for residents and visitors to hike and mountain bike. The Empire Canyon drainage originates approximately one mile to the south near the Summit/Wasatch County line. Flow originating in the canyon occurs in a small ephemeral channel. This water forms the headwaters of Silver Creek, which is a tributary of the Weber River.

Empire Canyon is situated between, and within, the Deer Valley and Park City Ski Resorts.

1. Removal site evaluation

The Empire Canyon Site was initially investigated in 1996. The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ) conducted a Preliminary Assessment (PA) of the Site and prepared a work plan for a subsequent Site Inspection (SI). The PA noted that mine waste and elevated levels of heavy metals were present at the Site and that additional investigation was warranted. The SI was not immediately completed.

In 1999, EPA and other stakeholders, under the name of the Upper Silver Creek Watershed Stakeholder's Group (USCWSG), began a collaborative watershed investigation in the Park City area. At that time, six sites in the area were already listed on CERCLIS, including the Empire Canyon Site, and a holistic, watershed approach was deemed necessary. The intent was to investigate and address collective impacts from historic mining in the Park City area. One significant environmental impact was the listing of Silver Creek on the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of impaired water bodies due to elevated levels of zinc and cadmium. As part of this effort, the Stakeholder's Group conducted water and

sediment sampling in Silver Creek to pinpoint significant sources of loading. This work showed that Empire Canyon was a significant source of metals to Silver Creek and that more detailed investigation was required in the area. It was also known that there was significant recreational use of the Empire Canyon area.

Subsequent to this report, UDEQ conducted an Expanded Site Inspection (ESI). The ESI investigated the Empire Canyon Site in detail and showed which areas of the canyon were of concern. Based upon the PA, ESI, and watershed investigations, EPA determined that a non-time critical removal action would be appropriate for Empire Canyon, primarily to address impacts to surface water. An Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) Approval Memo was signed in early 2002. This approval memorandum documented that the use of removal authority was appropriate for Empire Canyon. United Park City Mines voluntarily entered into an AOC with EPA to conduct an EE/CA for the Site on May 14, 2002. The EE/CA was completed on June 10, 2003 and will be deemed completed upon signing of this Action Memorandum.

2. Site Characteristics

A detailed description of Site characteristics is presented in the EE/CA.

3. Release or threatened release into the environment of a hazardous substance, or pollutant or contaminant.

As stated previously, several historic mining operations existed in the Empire Canyon drainage. Waste rock and tailings from these operations were deposited at various locations in the canyon. Sampling has shown the waste rock and tailings contain elevated levels of several heavy metals, including lead, arsenic, zinc, and cadmium. Sampling of surface waters, sediments, and soils in and below Empire Canyon have shown that heavy metals have been released from mine waste to surface water, ground water, and soils.

4. National Priority List (NPL) Status

Empire Canyon is not listed on the NPL. EPA currently does not anticipate listing the Site on the NPL.

B. Other Actions to Date

In addition to past investigations described above, numerous other environmentally-based actions have occurred in the Empire Canyon area. Several are described below:

Flagstaff Exclusion area.

UPCM is currently in the process of developing several parcels of land in and near Empire Canyon, herein referred to as the Flagstaff Development. The Flagstaff Development will include several residential properties. To determine if there were any mining impacts in this area, UPCM, in conjunction with EPA, UDEQ, and the USCWSG, conducted detailed sampling of the Flagstaff Development. This sampling showed that mine waste and heavy metals were present in very limited areas within the development area, but that most areas were free from impacts. Further, investigations showed that this area had little or no impact to surface water in Empire Canyon. UPCM prepared detailed sampling reports for UDEQ and EPA, and based upon this information, EPA specifically excluded this area from the boundaries of the Empire Canyon Site and issued UPCM comfort letters for the development area. The EE/CA, AOCs, and this Action Memorandum specifically exclude this area from the Empire Canyon Site. Any environmental issues present in this area were, or are, being handled voluntarily by UPCM in conjunction with the USCWSG.

Judge Tunnel.

The Judge Tunnel is a drain tunnel which underlies much of Empire Canyon. It is part of an interconnected system of tunnels, shafts, and other underground mine features that are present in the mountains above Park City. Much, if not most, of the water that infiltrates into the ground in Empire Canyon may enter the Judge Tunnel system, where it eventually is discharged in the lower reaches of the canyon. Park City Municipal Corporation (PCMC) collects this water and uses it for drinking water. There have been numerous investigations related to Judge Tunnel, evaluating all aspects of its use as drinking water. Based upon these investigations, PCMC has already taken several steps to ensure the safety of the water, and other steps are currently being planned or considered. These steps include construction of a water treatment plant and obtaining a Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) permit for any water discharged to Silver Creek. Because of this separate, but coordinated, effort for Judge Tunnel, EPA sees no need for intensive investigations into deep ground water impacts in Empire Canyon.

Previous cleanups by UPCM.

For various reasons, UPCM has voluntarily addressed several areas of mine waste in the Empire Canyon drainage. This work includes reshaping and recontouring of mine dumps, consolidation of some contaminated soils and mine waste into larger mine dumps, and rerouting of surface water. This work was coordinated with EPA.

Residential impacts in lower Empire Canyon.

As part of the ESI, UDEQ collected samples from private residences located in

the lower portions of Empire Canyon. The purpose of the samples was to determine if residential soils were impacted by contamination that may have originated from former mining operations in Empire Canyon. The samples showed that there were impacts to soils at the properties, specifically elevated levels of lead and arsenic. However, because there are likely several areas of Park City that have elevated levels of heavy metals in soils, and because it is difficult to determine which of many potential sources caused impacts at any particular property, EPA has chosen to address residential soil impacts collectively as part of the USCWSG work. Thus, while it is possible that the residential soil impacts in lower Empire Canyon are the result of sources within the Empire Canyon Site, these impacts are not addressed in this Action Memo and will be addressed through other investigations and actions.

C. State and Local Authorities Roles

The UDEQ was very involved in the USCWSG and in the investigation of Empire Canyon. UDEQ was the lead agency for the PA and ESI. UDEQ was involved in the oversight of the EE/CA sampling and will also be involved in the performance of the alternative selected in this Action Memorandum through a direct agreement with UPCM. Representatives of Park City and Summit County are members of the USCWSG and were very involved in the investigations and decision making for the Site.

III. THREATS TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR WELFARE, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND STATUTORY AND REGULATORY AUTHORITIES

Conditions at the Site present an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and meet the criteria for initiating a Removal Action under 40 C.F.R. Section 300.415(b)(2) of the National Contingency Plan (NCP). The following factors from Section 300.415(b)(2) of the NCP form the basis for EPA's determination of the threat presented and the appropriate action to be taken:

i) Actual or potential exposure to nearby human populations, animals, or the food chain from hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants.

Heavy metals, particularly zinc and cadmium, migrate from mine waste in Empire Canyon into Silver Creek. These metals are present in both water and sediment at concentrations that may impact both fish and the aquatic food chain and contribute to exceedances of water quality standards in Silver Creek.

(ii) Actual or potential contamination of drinking water supplies or sensitive ecosystems.

Flow from Empire Canyon enters Silver Creek, which feeds several wetlands at lower elevations. Wetlands are considered an extremely sensitive and vital ecosystem.

(iv) High levels of hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants in soils largely at or near the surface that may migrate.

Mine waste is present at multiple surface locations in Empire Canyon, including in areas that are frequently in contact with surface water and snowmelt. Sampling has shown that heavy metals are leached from the mine waste and migrate into flowing surface waters. Sediments are also impacted and may migrate during heavy runoff or storm events.

IV. ENDANGERMENT DETERMINATION

The actual or threatened releases of hazardous substances from this Site, if not addressed by implementing the response action selected in this Action Memorandum, may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health or welfare or the environment. Contaminants are verified to be present at levels which present unacceptable risk to the environment.

V. PROPOSED ACTIONS AND ESTIMATED COSTS

A. Proposed Action

1. Objectives and Scope

The primary objective of the removal action is to significantly reduce heavy metal loading to surface water from sources in Empire Canyon. This load reduction will be achieved through isolation of surface water from mine wastes in Empire Canyon through a variety of mechanisms. The secondary objective of the removal action is to minimize the potential for human exposure to elevated lead and arsenic concentrations in soils within the Empire Canyon Site. This objective will be achieved through consolidating and covering select areas of mine waste and through surface reclamation.

2. Primary proposed action

Mine waste in areas identified as adversely impacting surface water will be excavated. The channels will be reconstructed using clean rip-rap material and/or culverts. Some segments of the channels may also be lined with a clay liner to keep water on the surface. Several recreational trails in contact with contaminated soils or mine waste may be covered, and some areas of trails may also be rerouted. The Daly West mine dump will be re-contoured and covered with clean material. In certain areas, surface water flow in the vicinity of the Daly West mine dump will be re-routed to minimize contact with waste rock. A cut-off ditch will be constructed on the up-gradient side of the dump. Surface water from the Empire, Daly Draw and Walker Webster channels will be directed into an underground culvert and isolated from waste rock.

Mine waste removed from channels and trails will be consolidated in one or more locations in Empire Canyon and managed on-site. The preferred location is the Daly West Dump, which is currently being evaluated for suitability. Other locations will be considered as necessary. If waste is moved off-site for disposal, actions will comply with the Off-Site Rule.

Approximately 4,500 linear feet of channel will be remediated in lower Empire Canyon. Approximately 2,500 feet of recreational trail may be remediated throughout Empire Canyon. In addition, remedial activities will be conducted in areas containing significant amounts of impacted waste rock (e.g., Alliance mine dump and Daly West). These areas will be regraded and capped with clean material. The Site will be monitored for five years to ensure that the remediation is effective in improving the environmental quality of the Site. Institutional controls will be implemented as required for the protection of Site workers and recreational users.

A Post-Removal Site Control Plan, as required in the AOC, will set forth longterm management plans and responsibilities for Empire Canyon once the removal action is complete.

3. Contingency Actions

There are no contingency actions identified for the Site.

4. Funding Limitations

There are no known funding limitations restricting response actions for the Site. However, response actions may be phased over multiple construction seasons.

5. EE/CA.

An EE/CA was prepared by UPCM for this removal. A public comment period on the recommended alternative was held from July 23, 2003 to August 21, 2003. A public meeting was held on August 19, 2003. Park City Municipal Corporation offered several comments and concerns which have been addressed or will be addressed during development of the removal work plan. No other adverse comments were received. The preferred alternative of the EE/CA is the response action recommended in this Action Memorandum. The EE/CA is part of the Administrative Record for the Site.

ARARs

This removal action will attain, to the extent practicable, Federal and/or State ARARs, whichever is more stringent. A list of ARARs is included in Appendix A.

7. Project Schedule.

Some preliminary work has already been completed. Work specified in this Action Memorandum is expected to begin during spring 2004, contingent upon execution of an AOC, and is expected to last approximately two construction seasons.

B. Estimated Costs

The response action is estimated to cost approximately \$1,200,000.

VI. EXPECTED CHANGE IN THE SITUATION SHOULD ACTION BE DELAYED OR NOT TAKEN

If no removal action is taken or if the action is delayed, loading of heavy metals during spring runoff will continue. It is important to address Empire Canyon immediately, as it forms the headwaters of Silver Creek. Cleanups in lower portions of the watershed cannot commence until contamination in upper portions, such as Empire Canyon, is addressed and the potential for recontamination is removed. It is likely that water quality standards in Silver Creek will not be attained through remediation of Empire Canyon alone, but it is also likely that water quality standards cannot be attained consistently unless and until Empire Canyon is remediated.

VII. OUTSTANDING POLICY ISSUES

There are no known outstanding policy issues regarding this removal action.

VIII. ENFORCEMENT

An enforcement confidential summary is included as Appendix B.

IX. RECOMMENDATION

This decision document represents the selected Removal Action for the Empire Canyon Site, Park City, Utah and was developed in accordance with CERCLA, as amended, and is consistent with the NCP. This decision is based on the Administrative Record for the Site.

Conditions at the Site meet the NCP Section 300.415(b)(2) criteria for a removal and I recommend your approval of the proposed PRP-lead Removal Action.

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Assistant Re	gional Administrator		
Office of Ec	osystems Protections and Remediat	io n	
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Attachments: Appendix A - List of ARARs

Appendix B - Enforcement Summary (Confidential)

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Definitions and General Requirements of Ulah Water Quality Act	UAC R317-1	Provides definitions and general requirements for waste discharges to waters of the State of Ulah.	Relevant and Appropriate	No known point source discharges at Site, but certain discharges or water courses will be considered. Flow is ephemeral and present only for a few months per year.
Utah Surface Water Quality Standards	UAC R317-2-6 UAC R317-2-13 UAC R317-2-14	Establishes use designations for Silver Creek and headwaters (as tribuatary to Weber River).	Relevant and Appropriate	No known point source discharges at Site, but certain discharges or water courses will be considered. Flow at site is ephemeral and present only for a few months per year.
National Ambient Air Quality Standards	40 CFR Park 50	Establishes ambient air quality standards for certain criteria pollutants to protect public bealth and welfare.	Relevant and Appropriate	Emissions associated with proposed removal action will not constitute a major source. Attainment and maintenance of NAAQS pursuant to new source review are not applicable. However, standards relating to lead are relevant and appropriate.
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C	40 CFR Part 264	Provides regulation of hazardous waste.	Relevant and Appropriate	Although Subtitle C is not generally applicable to mining related wastes, may be relevant and appropriate if excavated soils are disposed of off-site and fail EPA's Toxicity Characteristic Leachability Procedure.

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Air Emissions; Fugitive Emissions and Fugitive Dust	UAC R307-205-2 UAC R307-205-3 UAC R307-205-5 UAC R307-205-6	Construction and demolition activities, roads and aggregate materials must be managed to minimize fugitive dust. Applies to all activities that generate fugitive dust.	Applicable	UPCM will implement best management practices to address dust control at the Site.
Utah Storm Water Rules	UAC R317-8-3.9	Establishes state storm water requirements.	Applicable	UPCM will implement best management practices to address storm water management at Site.
General Earthwork & Construction	UAC R315-8-2.10	Establishes requirements for a constructions QA program to ensure that constructed units meet or exceed design criteria.	Refevant and Appropriate for repositories including Bevill exempt waste	UPCM will implement the construction QA program during the removal action.
General Barthwork & Construction	UAC R307-102-1	Emission of air contamination in sufficient quantities is prohibited.	Applicable	
Remediation and Repository Closure	UAC R311-211-6	Provides cleanup standards cvaluation criteria for corrective actions at CERCLA sites within Utah.	Relevant and appropriate	Will be used for removal and disposal of CERCLA bazardous substances in receiving facilities
Solid Waste Treatment and Disposal	UAC R312-301-6	Applies to solid waste disposal.	Relevant and appropriate	Appropriate for on-site repositories

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Solid Waste Facility Location Standards	UAC R315-302	Applies to disposal of solid waste in landfills, land resument disposal sites, and piles.	Applicable	Applies to on-site repositories
Discharge to Surface Water	40 CFR ¢ 122,26(b)(14)	Construction activities that disturb five or more acres. Requires preparation of stormwater pollution prevention plan.	Applicable	
Off-Site Management of CERCLA Wastes (Off-Site Rule)	40 CFR \$300/440	Applies to any CERCLA action involving off-site transfer of any hazardous substance or pollutant and contaminant. EPA Regional Office will determine suitability of off-site facility.	Applicable	Applicable only if material is moved off-site.
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Protection of Wetlands	33 USC \$1344 and 40 CFR Part 230 and Executive Order 11990	Prohibits discharge of dredged or fill materials into waters of the U.S.	Applicable	Potentially applicable depending on work. Measures will be developed to avoid, restore, or mitigate impacts to wetlands, if any.
Historic Sites, Building, and Antiquities Act	16 USC 4 4461-467	Requires protection of landmarks list on National Registry.	Applicable	No expected impacts.

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National Historic Preservation Act	16 USC ¢470	Requires protection of district, site, building, structure, or object eligible for inclusion of national register of historic places.	Applicable	No expected impacts.
Archeological and Historic Preservation Act	16 USC ∮469	Requires preservation of significant historical and archeological data.	Applicable	No expected impacts.
Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act	16 USC ¢1531 et seq	Requires that actions taken in areas that may affect streams and rivers be undertaken in a manuer that protects fish and wildlife.	Applicable	Actions will improve Silver Creek; no fish habitat in Empire Canyon; USFWS consulted
Endangered Species Act	16 USC \$1531 and 50 CFR Part 200 and 402	Requires protection of endangered and threatened species.	Applicable	USFWS has been consulted regarding such species
Migratory Bird Treaty Act	16 USC ∮703 et seq	Requires protection of migratory non-game birds.	Applicable	USFWS has been consulted regarding such birds
Floodplain Management	Executive Order No. 11988	Pertains to floodplain management and construction requirements in such areas.	Applicable	Applicable to soil removed or repositories located within floodplain.

	Any on-site repository or to any existing off-site facility that receives CERCLA hazardous substances.
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	40 CFR Part 257
	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle D

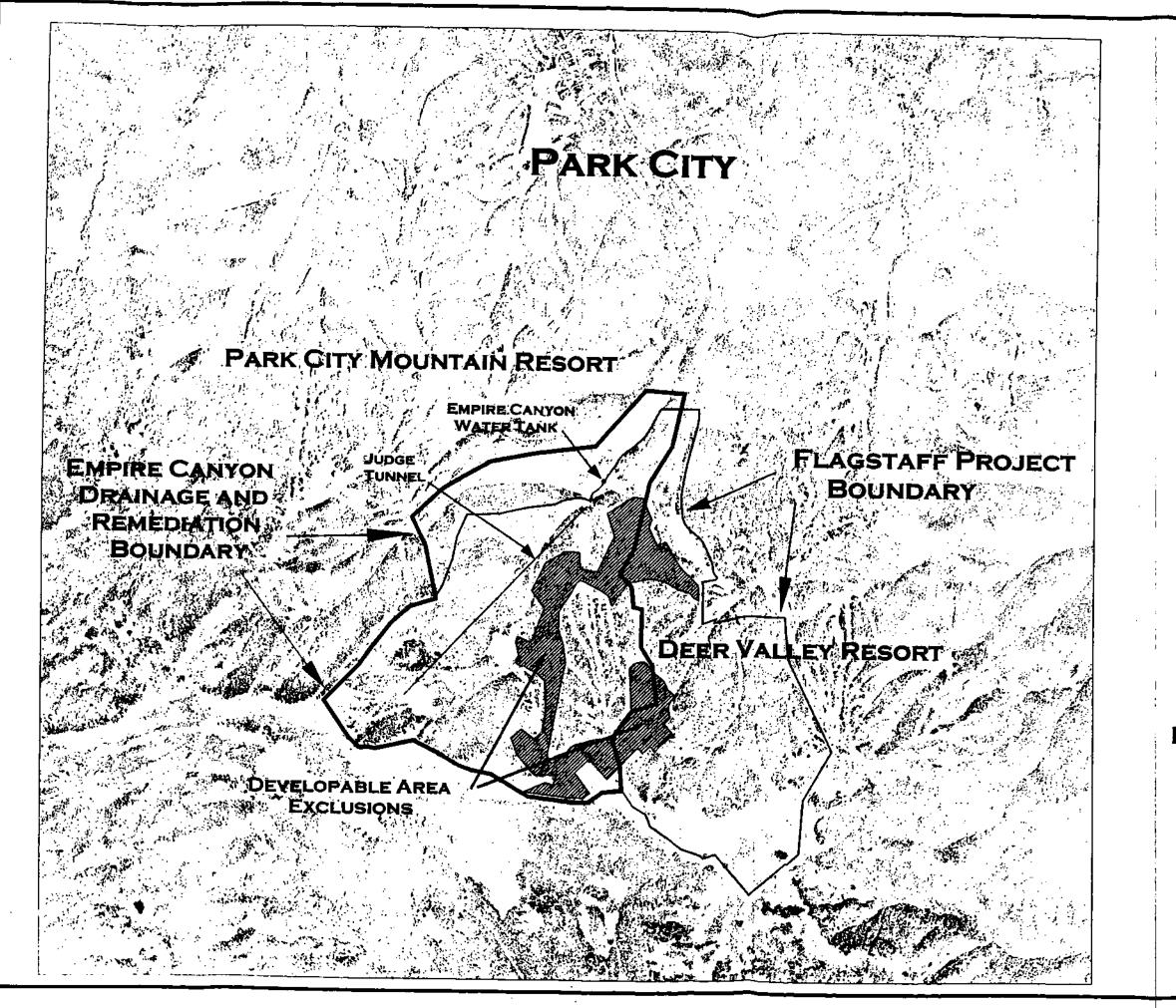
Appendix B (Confidential)

ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

While no formal PRP search was conducted by EPA, UPCM is the landowner of the Site and may be responsible for conducting former mining operations in Empire Canyon. UPCM elected to voluntarily enter an AOC to conduct the EE/CA for the Site, and negotiations are underway with UPCM to conduct the cleanup. No other PRPs have been identified for the Site.

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UNITED PARK CITY
MINES COMPANY

EMPIRE CANYON REMEDIATION PROJECT

FIGURE 1

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Legal Descriptions for Developable Area Exclusions

Parcel C1

A parcel of land located in the South Half of Section 21 and the North Half of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 250.67 feet along section line and North 3980.12 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 41'57'28" West 264.55 feet; thence South 09'32'40" West 57.29 feet; thence South 36°44'26" West 44.30 feet; thence South 39°50'12" East 235.91 feet; thence South 38°56'14" West 186.09 feet; thence South 29°47'06" West 82.97 feet; thence North 37°33'15" West 235.52 feet; thence South 36°02'10" West 96.05 feet; thence North 55°40'50" West 182.09 feet; thence North 62°38'22" West 303.63 feet; thence North 61°44'30" West 207.31 feet; thence North 74*14'12" West 27.81 feet; thence North 13*57'44" East 146.39 feet; thence North 77°24'07" West 162.21 feet; thence North 74°34'40" West 30.08 feet; thence North 00°29'06" East 118.61 feet; thence South 86°07'04" East 102.01 feet; thence South 81°04'17" East 419.72 feet; thence North 25°28'58" East 970.31 feet; thence North 16°53'53" West 594.40 feet; thence North 56'34'49" East 744.58 feet; thence South 85'02'20" East 239.60 feet; thence South 22*25'58" East 215.67 feet; thence South 23*48'28" East 358.05 feet; thence South 21°40'14" West 199.66 feet; thence South 48°58'47" West 130.39 feet; thence South 26°21'30" East 123.88 feet; thence South 89°01'14" West 58.51 feet; thence South 01°33'49" East 201.58 feet; thence North 89°01'44" East 147.52 feet; thence South 29°52'55" East 181.65 feet; thence South 36°55'36" East 503.50 feet; thence South 49'14'11" East 191.44 feet; thence South 65°41'25" East 159.11 feet; thence South 77°47'58" East 132.49 feet; thence South 62°02'06" East 219.65 feet; thence South 46°11'45" East 240.21 feet; thence South 17'09'46" East 51.21 feet; thence South 300.49 feet; thence North 66'23'15" West 126.43 feet; thence North 40'13'59" West 173.65 feet; thence North 74'17'18" West 288.14 feet; thence North 61°24'54" West 194.69 feet; thence North 59°24'44" West 215.66 feet; thence North 77°28'34" West 189.26 feet; thence North 86'52'45" West 57.89 feet; thence North 14'47'01" East 129.66 feet; thence North 69'32'37" West 134.48 feet; thence South 63°16'30" West 80.05 feet; thence South 11°20'57" East 131.38 feet; thence South 75°02'27" West 190.91 feet; thence South 80°22'11" West 289.77 feet; thence South 37°01'40" West 177.45 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 65.81 acres, more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPTING THE FOLLOWING:

Parcel D1

Beginning at a point North 88 '44'36" East 200.20 feet along section line and North 5602.41 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 00 '44'07" West 168.10 feet; thence North 89 '33'19" East 116.41 feet; thence South 00 '25'35" West 118.43 feet; thence South 11 '51'54" West 51.67 feet; thence West 102.74 feet to the point of beginning.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 342.12 feet along section line and North 5451.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 05°25'02" East 170.78 feet; thence South 89°26'09" East 112.54 feet; thence South 00°20'51" East 168.80 feet; thence South 89°57'04" West 129.68 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel P1

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 342.12 feet along section line and North 5451.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 89°34'46" West 86.43 feet; thence North 02°17'32" West 159.24 feet; thence North 26°52'19" East 70.46 feet; thence North 62°15'34" East 85.46 feet; thence South 00°54'08" East 91.10 feet; thence South 05°25'02" West 170.78 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel P2

Beginning at a point North 88°44'36" East 65.19 feet along section line and North 4714.32 feet, from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 01°48'39" West 207.48 feet; thence North 86°11'24" East 98.56 feet; thence North 87°30'48" East 100.62 feet; thence South 00°05'01" East 218.73 feet; thence North 88°26'44" West 96.51 feet; thence South 88°41'58" West 96.18 feet to the point of beginning.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 1935.81 feet along section line and North 4624.84 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 86°45'11" East 222.48 feet; thence North 04°55'59" East 168.62 feet; thence North 80°34'48" East 154.93 feet; thence South 66°56'36" East 105.60 feet; thence South 00°29'06" West 413.51 feet; thence North 79°26'20" West 120.03 feet; thence North 36.00 feet; thence South 86°11'09" West 97.72 feet; thence South 79°12'57" West 64.13 feet; thence North 44°20'19" West 292.77 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 3.02 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the West Half of Section 28 and the East Half of Section 29. Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 1691.96 feet along section line and North 2157.25 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 88°20'50" West 853.62 feet; thence North 09°33'47" East 132.74 feet; thence North 27°45'41" East 90.32 feet; thence North 63°56'01" West 48.48 feet: thence North 59°10'22" West 84.65 feet: thence North 46°08'20" West 278.66 feet; thence South 89°26'15" West 128.38 feet; thence North 17°50'35" East 139.97 feet; thence South 67°40'20" East 360.46 feet; thence North 20°26'14" East 899.92 feet; thence South 79°38'02" East 81.45 feet; thence North 09°37'10" East 75.66 feet; thence North 13°43'04" East 354.55 feet; thence North 74°40'15" West 96.01 feet; thence North 24°46'47" East 216.32 feet; thence North 73°17'12" West 74.54 feet; thence North 35°45'34" East 166.76 feet; thence North 72°11'16" East 145.47 feet; thence North 37°18'14" East 26.40 feet; thence North 63°57'38" East 121.87 feet; thence South 39°18'56" East 99.48 feet; thence South 50°51'37" East 117.29 feet; thence South 30°57'50" East 139.94 feet; thence North 77°05'07" West 80.54 feet; thence South 01°17'43" West 199.05 feet; thence South 82°53'32" East 85.20 feet; thence South 28°16'22" West 69.33 feet; thence South 33°36'22" West 308.16 feet; thence South 31°55'31" West 246.23 feet; thence South 00°31'06" West 408.27 feet; thence South 18°16'11" East 386.11 feet; thence South 08°13'38" East 474.19 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 29.07 acres, more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPTING THE FOLLOWING:

Parcel P5

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2076.28 feet along section line and North 3152.95 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 87°43'10" West 148.39 feet; thence North 11°09'03" East 197.17 feet; thence South 73°52'34" East 118.25 feet; thence South 70°45'57" East 115.43 feet; thence South 41°11'33" West 170.74 feet to the point of beginning.

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, the Southeast Quarter of Section 29, the Northeast Quarter of Section 32 and the Northwest Quarter of Section 33, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point on the northerly end line of the BRYSBON Mining Claim, Lot 540 in the Uintah Mining District and located South 8824'56" West along section line 1405.07 feet and North 154.29 feet from the South Quarter Corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base & Meridian; and running thence along the northerly end line of the BRYSBON Mining Claim South 41°55'05" East 90.60 feet; thence along the northerly end line of the PEELER Mining Claim, Lot 544 in the Uintah Mining District South 42°12'18" East 199.12 feet; thence along the northerly line of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 4618 in the Uintah Mining District South 81°12'01" East 126.46 feet; thence along the northerly end line of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim South 36°28'58" East 100.09 feet; thence along the southerly sideline of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim South 46°33'23" West 568.26 feet: thence along the northerly end line of the HOME STATION Mining Claim, Lot 121 in the Snake Creek Mining District South 36°13'48" East 252.25 feet; thence along northerly end line of the LUCKEY BILL Mining Claim, Lot 57 in the Snake Creek Mining District South 36°31'08" East 376.32 feet; thence along the Summit-Wasatch County Line South 54°41'12" West 202.92 feet; thence along the Summit-Wasatch County Line South 88°54'12" West 344.13 feet; thence along the Summit-Wasatch County Line North 82°53'47" West 1132.70 feet to a county line monument; thence North 66°24'33" East 571.11 feet; thence South 72°58'57" East 201.27 feet; thence North 22°19'53" East 269.34 feet; thence South 89°13'53" West 556.07 feet; thence North 40°36'46" West 653.53 feet; thence North 21°25'30" West 445.03 feet; thence North 50°24'02" East 341.40 feet; thence South 51°56'51" East 407.89 feet; thence North 40°22'26" East 273.99 feet; thence North 10°42'20" East 461.27 feet; thence North 02°06'34" West 784.95 feet; thence North 48°28'45" East 687.79 feet; thence South 13°15'16" West 300.66 feet; thence South 10°37'50" West 2026.49 feet; thence South 27°43'41" East 235.88 feet; thence North 59°22'40" East 379.69 feet; thence North 33°12'17" East 198.33 feet; thence North 53°02'42" East 230.82 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 50.27 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the South Half of Section 28 and the North Half of Section 33. Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at corner No. 3 of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim, Lot 448 in the Uintah Mining District and located South 88°24'56" West 8.71 feet along the section line and South 12.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence along the northerly end line of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim North 42°53'29" West 200.06 feet; thence along the westerly sideline of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim South 47°05'06" West 228.35 feet; thence North 40°58'20" West 77.67 feet; thence North 48°44'44" East 147.18 feet; thence South 75°42'04" West 110.30 feet; thence South 48°44'44" West 172.09 feet to a point on a curve to the right having a radius of 335.00 feet of which the radius point bears North 41°15'16" West; thence along the arc of said curve 185.55 feet through a central angle of 31°44'03"; thence South 80°28'47" West 66.13 feet to a point on a curve to the right having a radius of 10.00 feet of which the radius point bears North 09°31'13" West; thence along the arc of said curve 13.09 feet through a central angle of 74°58'22" to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 125.01 feet of which the radius point bears South 65°27'09"; thence along the arc of said curve 96.99 feet through a central angle of 44°27'11"; thence North 69°00'03" West 57.89 feet to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 193.36 feet of which the radius point bears South 20°59'57" West; thence along the arc of said curve 167.79 feet through a central angle of 49°43'13" to a point of reverse curve to the right having a radius of 222.89 feet of which the radius point bears North 28°43'15" West; thence along the arc of said curve 135.91 feet through a central angle of 34°56'12"; thence North 83°47'04" West 48.44 feet to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 351.23 feet of which the radius point bears South 06°12'56" West; thence along the arc of said curve 72.99 feet through a central angle of 11°54'24" to a point on the northerly end line of the PEELER Mining Claim, Lot 544 in the Uintah Mining District; thence along the northerly end line of the PEELER Mining Claim North 42°12'18" West 113.86 feet; thence along the northerly end line of the BRYSBON Mining Claim, Lot 540 in the Uintah Mining District North 41°55'05" West 90.60 feet; thence North 64°18'58" East 110.76 feet; thence North 74°28'55" East 406.46 feet; thence North 88°33'34" East 450.47 feet; thence North 10°48'54" East 245.43 feet; thence North 40°06'56" East 338.44 feet; thence North 33°54'41" East 222.11 feet; thence North 02°31'44" West 549.12 feet; thence North 02°39'14" West 518.83 feet; thence North 43°40'11" East 113.75 feet; thence North 61°14'42" East 124.74 feet; thence North 83°45'19". East 150.83 feet; thence South 67°09'50" East 93.65 feet; thence South 34°57'27" East 259.63 feet; thence South 53°11'52" East 301.16 feet; thence South 37°04'49" East 64.38 feet; thence South 25°32'19" East 210.51 feet; thence South 50°02'36" East 215.78 feet; thence South 28°26'50" West 328.73 feet; thence South 08°04'55" East 292.97 feet; thence along the westerly sideline of the HARWOOD Mining Claim, Lot 450 in the Uintah Mining District South 47°05'27" West 349.51 feet; thence along the northerly sideline of the PERIOD NO. 5 Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 6567 in the Uintah Mining District North 73°51'00" West 85.38 feet; thence along the easterly sideline of the COLUMBIA Mining Claim, Lot 569 in the Uintah Mining District South 36°57'00" West 158.66 feet; thence along the westerly end line of the PERIOD NO. 5 Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 6567 in the Uintah Mining District South 16°09'00" West 88.10 feet; thence along the northerly sideline of the HARWOOD Mining Claim, Lot 450 in the Uintah Mining District South 47°05'27" West 575.46 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 46.40 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the South Half of Section 28 and the North Half of Section 33. Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at corner No. 3 of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim, Lot 448 in the Uintah Mining District and located South 88°24'56" West 8.71 feet along the section line and South 12.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence along the northerly end line of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim North 42°53'29" West 200.06 feet; thence along the westerly sideline of the UNCLE CHARLES Mining Claim South 47°05'06" West 228.35 feet; thence North 40°58'20" West 77.67 feet; thence North 48°44'44" East 147.18 feet; thence South 75°42'04" West 110.30 feet; thence South 48°44'44" West 172.09 feet to a point on a curve to the right having a radius of 335.00 feet of which the radius point bears North 41°15'16" West; thence along the arc of said curve 185.55 feet through a central angle of 31°44'03"; thence South 80°28'47" West 66.13 feet to a point on a curve to the right having a radius of 10.00 feet of which the radius point bears North 09°31'13" West; thence along the arc of said curve 13.09 feet through a central angle of 74°58'22" to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 125.01 feet of which the radius point bears South 65°27'09"; thence along the arc of said curve 96.99 feet through a central angle of 44°27'11"; thence North 69°00'03" West 57.89 feet to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 193.36 feet of which the radius point bears South 20°59'57" West; thence along the arc of said curve 167.79 feet through a central angle of 49°43'13" to a point of reverse curve to the right having a radius of 222.89 feet of which the radius point bears North 28°43'15" West; thence along the arc of said curve 135.91 feet through a central angle of 34°56'12"; thence North 83°47'04" West 48.44 feet to a point on a curve to the left having a radius of 351.23 feet of which the radius point bears South 06°12'56" West; thence along the arc of said curve 72.99 feet through a central angle of 11°54'24" to a point on the northerly end line of the PEELER Mining Claim, Lot 544 in the Uintah Mining District; thence along the northerly end line of the PEELER Mining Claim South 4212'18" East 85.26 Feet; thence along the northerly line of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 4618 in the Uintah Mining District South 8112'01" East 126.46 feet; thence along the northerly end line of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim South 3628'58" East 100.09 feet; thence along the southerly side line of the BOLLIVER Mining Claim South 4633'23" West 76.33 feet; thence South 4153'42" East 615.57 feet; thence North 4329'08" East 961.13 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 10.33 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the South Half of Section 28 and the North Half of Section 33, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at point located North 8844'25" East 85.23 feet along the section line and North 72.78 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian said point lying on the westerly sideline of the HARWOOD Mining Claim. Lot 450 in the Uintah Mining District; thence South 4121'39" East 170.56 feet; thence North 4830'21" East 257.17 feet; thence South 4241'29" East 178.50 feet; thence North 3814'47" East 143.19 feet; thence North 4426'03" East 119.31 feet; thence North 5040'20" East 134.43 feet; thence North 4659'17" East 104.91 feet; thence North 4615'30" East 110.90 feet; thence North 3818'10" West 165.02 feet; thence North 4637'36" West 170.28 feet to a point on the westerly sideline of the HARWOOD Mining Claim, Lot 450; thence along that sideline South 4705'27" West 141.95 fee t; thence North 7351'00" West 85.38 feet along the northerly side line of the PERIOD NO. 5 Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 6567; thence along the easterly sideline of the COLUMBIA Mining Claim, Lot 569 in the Uintah Mining District South 36°57'00" West 158.66 feet; thence along the westerly end line of the PERIOD NO. 5 Mining Claim, Mineral Survey No. 6567 in the Uintah Mining District South 16°09'00" West 88.10 feet; thence along the northerly sideline of the HARWOOD Mining Claim, Lot 450 in the Uintah Mining District South 47°05'27" West 447.27 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 6.06 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Southeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point North 88°44'36" East 200.20 feet along section line and North 5602.41 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 00°44'07" West 168.10 feet; thence North 89°33'19" East 116.41 feet; thence South 00°25'35" West 118.43 feet; thence South 11°51'54" West 51.67 feet; thence West 102.74 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.44 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 342.12 feet along section line and North 5451.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 05°25'02" East 170.78 feet; thence South 89°26'09" East 112.54 feet; thence South 00°20'51" East 168.80 feet; thence South 89°57'04" West 129.68 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.47 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 28 and the Southeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point North 88°44'36" East 1554.78 feet along section line and North 4012.05 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 46°11'45" West 240.21 feet; thence North 62°02'06" West 219.65 feet; thence North 77°47'58" West 132.49 feet; thence North 65°41'25" West 159.11 feet; thence North 49°14'11" West 191.44 feet; thence North 36°55'36" West 503.50 feet; thence North 29°52'55" West 181.65 feet; thence South 89°01'44" West 147.52 feet; thence North 01°33'49" West 201.58 feet; thence North 89°01'14" East 58.51 feet; thence North 26°21'30" West 123.88 feet; thence North 48°58'47" East 130.39 feet; thence South 25°22'35" East 454.35 feet; thence South 63°42'44" East 384.77 feet; thence South 31°37'04" East 486.22 feet; thence South 47°21'59" East 308.61 feet; thence South 44°06'55" East 284.83 feet; thence South 17°09'46" East 37.55 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 7.37 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point North 88°44'36" East 465.08 feet along section line and North 4194.85 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 86°52'45" West 138.77 feet; thence North 11°20'57" West 131.38 feet; thence North 63°16'30" East 80.05 feet; thence South 69°32'37" East 134.48 feet; thence South 14°47'01" West 129.66 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.58 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 250.67 feet along section line and North 3980.12 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 38°56'14" West 98.25 feet; thence North 39°50'12" West 235.91 feet; thence North 36°44'26" East 44.30 feet; thence North 09°32'40" East 57.29 feet; thence South 41°57'28" East 264.55 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.52 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 554,81 feet along section line and North 3548.39 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 49°44'57" West 35.95 feet; thence North 14°58'12" West 170.16 feet; thence North 33°05'03" West 81.61 feet; thence North 36°02'10" East 96.05 feet; thence South 37°33'15" East 235.52 feet; thence South 29°47'06" West 169.33 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.69 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 1424.06 feet along section line and North 4142.74 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 28°16'22" West 252.06 feet; thence North 82°53'32" West 85.20 feet; thence North 01°17'43" East 199.05 feet; thence South 77°05'07" East 80.54 feet; thence North 30°57'50" West 139.94 feet; thence North 50°51'37" West 117.29 feet: thence North 39°18'56" West 99.48 feet; thence South 63°57'38" West 121.87 feet; thence South 37°18'14" West 26.40 feet; thence South 72°11'16" West 145.47 feet; thence North 28°00'20" West 151.21 feet; thence South 37°10'46" West 444.31 feet; thence South 54°08'01" West 215.92 feet; thence North 25°58'38" East 776.89 feet; thence North 59°54'31" East 564.66 feet; thence South 86°31'59" East 351.13 feet; thence South 02°53'37" East 404.59 feet; thence North 86°07'04" West 102.01 feet; thence North 00°29'06" East 294.91 feet; thence North 66°56'36" West 105.60 feet; thence South 80°34'48" West 154.93 feet; thence South 04°55'59" West 168.62 feet; thence South 86°45'11" West 222.48 feet; thence South 44°20'19" East 292.77 feet; thence North 79°12'57" East 64.13 feet; thence North 86°11'09" East 97.72 feet; thence South 36.00 feet; thence South 79°26'20" East 120.03 feet; thence South 74°34'40" East 30.08 feet; thence South 00°09'09" West 211.05 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 9.31 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2248.44 feet along section line and North 3991.13 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 35°45'34" East 197.95 feet; thence South 73°17'12" East 74.54 feet; thence South 24°46'47" West 216.32 feet; thence North 59°18'34" West 112.09 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.44 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the East Half of Section 29 and the Southwest Quarter of Section 28. Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2625.03 feet along section line and North 2212.39 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence 102.80 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 80.00 feet (chord bears South 18°32'11" East 94.73 feet); thence 95.00 feet along the arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 360.43 feet (chord bears South 55°57'24" East 94.73 feet); thence South 79°42'31" West 122.55 feet; thence North 09°16'47" West 151.09 feet; thence North 14°05'05" West 197.40 feet; thence North 89°26'15" East 128.38 feet; thence South 46°08'20" East 278.66 feet; thence South 59°10'22" East 84.65 feet; thence South 63°56'01" East 48.48 feet; thence South 27°45'41" West 90.32 feet; thence South 09°33'47" West 132.74 feet; thence North 86°36'17" West 79.59 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 2.40 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28 and the Southeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2625.03 feet along section line and North 2212.39 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 86°36'17" East 79.59 feet; thence South 40°54'29" East 161.31 feet; thence South 28°40'05" East 163.09 feet; thence South 51°39'22" West 53.96 feet; thence North 61°52'36" West 311.67 feet; thence North 35°40'02" West 47.30 feet; thence North 34°38'59" East 143.26 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 1.19 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 342.12 feet along section line and North 5451.40 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 89°34'46" West 86.43 feet; thence North 02°17'32" West 159.24 feet; thence North 26°52'19" East 70.46 feet; thence North 62°15'34" East 85.46 feet; thence South 00°54'08" East 91.10 feet; thence South 05°25'02" West 170.78 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.52 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point North 88°44'36" East 65.19 feet along section line and North 4714.32 feet, from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 01°48'39" West 207.48 feet; thence North 86°11'24" East 98.56 feet; thence North 87°30'48" East 100.62 feet; thence South 00°05'01" East 218.73 feet; thence North 88°26'44" West 96.51 feet; thence South 88°41'58" West 96.18 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.96 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 1424.06 feet along section line and North 4142.74 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 00°09'09" East 211.05 feet; thence South 77°24'07" East 162.21 feet; thence South 13°57'44" West 146.39 feet; thence North 74°14'12" West 15.77 feet; thence South 85°27'32" West 49.33 feet; thence South 60°08'37" West 68.26 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.54 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2248.44 feet along section line and North 3991.13 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 59°18'34" East 112.09 feet; thence South 74°40'15" East 96.01 feet; thence South 13°43'04" West 354.55 feet; thence South 09°37'10" West 75.66 feet; thence North 79°38'02" West 81.45 feet; thence North 35°43'21" West 536.94 feet; thence North 54°08'01" East 215.92 feet; thence North 37°10'46" East 444.31 feet; thence South 28°00'20" East 151.21 feet; thence South 35°45'34" West 364.71 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 4.73 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 2076.28 feet along section line and North 3152.95 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence North 87°43'10" West 148.39 feet; thence North 11°09'03" East 197.17 feet; thence South 73°52'34" East 118.25 feet; thence South 70°45'57" East 115.43 feet; thence South 41°11'33" West 170.74 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 0.76 acres, more or less.

A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian.

Beginning at a point South 88°24'56" West 1691.96 feet along section line and North 2157.25 feet from the south quarter corner of Section 28, Township 2 South, Range 4 East, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; and running thence South 48°28'45" West 687.79 feet; thence North 47°13'14" West 268.07 feet; thence North 51°39'22" East 53.96 feet; thence North 28°40'05" West 163.09 feet; thence North 40°54'29" West 161.31 feet; thence South 88°20'50" East 853.62 feet to the point of beginning.

Description contains 4.73 acres, more or less.